

## **Marine Corps Air Station Miramar Commanding Officer's Environmental Policy Statement**

Marine Corps Air Station Miramar's mission is to maintain and operate facilities and to provide service and material to support the operations of 3d Marine Aircraft Wing and the other tenant organizations aboard this installation. In order to carry out and reduce risks to this critical mission it is imperative that we preserve, protect and enhance the quality of our land, air and water resources. The conduct of realistic and mission essential training is key for tenant commands to maintain a high level of combat readiness. By respecting and maintaining the natural resources entrusted to the Marine Corps, the training opportunities enjoyed by today's Marine will be available to future generations of Marines. Keeping this in mind will help all Marines understand the importance of preserving and protecting our natural training environment.



This air station will focus on compliance with all applicable environmental legislation along with all Federal, State and local regulations and policy. I promote environmental training and education to enhance the development of our environmental compliance and protection responsibilities.

Pollution prevention is another tenet of our environmental stewardship and will continue to be a priority. Pollution will be prevented or reduced at the source whenever feasible. Pollution that can not be prevented will be recycled as practical. All Marines, Sailors, and Civilian Marines shall participate in our recycling program. For more information and drop off locations you may contact Environmental Management at 858-577-1108. Remember...Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

One of our long term goals is to clean up or control areas that are contaminated from past hazardous waste releases and spills. Installation restoration or land recycling will allow the use of areas that were unusable before the restoration clean up process. Additionally, this program will reduce the potential of impacts on human health.

We are committed to the conservation of natural and cultural resources as the long-term strategy for achieving and maintaining environmental compliance and protecting access to our training areas. The careful management of these resources will ensure their preservation over the entire air station.

Marine Corps Air Station Miramar is committed to continuous improvement of our environmental programs. This continuous improvement will be pursued and documented within the MCAS Miramar Environmental Management System (EMS). The EMS communicates our environmental commitments, including this policy, to all Air Station personnel, tenants, on-site contractors and makes them available to the public. The EMS is available at [www.miramar.usmc.mil/ems/index.html](http://www.miramar.usmc.mil/ems/index.html).

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank A. Richie".

**Frank A. Richie  
Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps**